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SUBJECT: 1. Product

"Wilsonart" Flooring System

2. Name and Address
of Manufacturer

Wilsonart International, Inc.
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USE: Indoor, for residential flooring.

DESCRIPTION:

"Wilsonart" flooring consists of tongue and groove planks 7-7/8" x 1/4" x 46-1/2" or tiles 15-1/2"x1/4"x15-11/2" glued together. The planks and tiles are composed of a top wear layer on a high pressure melamine laminate, a fiberboard core layer of 52-58 lbs./cu. ft., and a bottom balancing layer of phenolic laminate.

REQUIREMENTS:

"Wilsonart" flooring shall be in compliance with the requirements in Table 1.

Table 1 - Requirements for "Wilsonart" Flooring System

<u>Materials Requirements</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Test Methods</u>
Top Wear Layer	Compliance with surface properties	NEMA LD-3
Core Layer	Compliance with Grade HD high density properties	ANSI A 208.2
Bottom Balance Layer	Compliance with backing properties	NEMA LD-3
<u>Systems Requirements</u>	<u>Values</u>	<u>Test Methods</u>
Flammability		
Flooring Radiant Panel	0.45 watts/cm ² or greater	ASTM E 648
Flame Spread	less than 75	ASTM E 84
Color Fastness	no fading or color change after 72 hours,	NEMA LD-3
Slip Resistance	0.50 or greater	ASTM D 2047

INSTALLATION:

The structural floor used under the "Wilsonart" flooring system shall support the design live load with a deflection limit of L/360. The "Wilsonart" flooring system shall be installed in strict accordance with the manufacturer's instructions including a 1/4" space around the perimeter for expansion. The exposed edges around the perimeter shall be coated with "Wilsonart" flooring glue.

LIMITED WILSONART FLOORING WARRANTY:

Wilsonart International, Inc., warrants to the original purchaser that its laminated flooring shall not wear through*, fade or stain under normal use and service for a period of sixteen (16) years from the date of sale to the original consumer purchaser for residential applications. For commercial applications this warranty shall be for a period of five (5) years from the date of sale. If the product wears through*, fades or stains during warranty period, Wilsonart International agrees to repair or replace any part of the installation at Wilsonart International agrees to repair or repair or replace any part of the installation at Wilsonart International's discretion. This warranty shall not apply to damage arising from any of the following:

- Accidents, abuse or misuse
 - Improper insulation
 - Improper adhesive, grout or caulk
 - Exposure to extreme heat
 - Improper maintenance
 - Improper fabrication
- * The surface wear through must be readily visible and not the result of any of the items listed above. Gloss reduction is not surface wear.

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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Technical Suitability of Products Fees
P.O. Box 954199
St. Louis, MO 63195-4199

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